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COUNTY AWARDS PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING CONTRACT

Montgomery County, Virginia • The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors recently awarded a contract for \$8.17 million to renovate the former Courthouse into the Public Safety Building in Christiansburg.

Thor Inc. General Contractors of Roanoke was the successful bidder among four companies that submitted bids for the 50,000-square-foot facility. The new Public Safety Building on Franklin Street will be adjacent to the new Courthouse that opened at 55 E. Main St. this past fall.



“The new public safety building has been long in coming and much needed,” said Sheriff Tommy Whitt. “The Sheriff’s Office has been involved in every step along the way from the preliminary architectural review on to design and construction to ensure adequate work space, storage and accessibility to the public.”

“We are honored to be working with Montgomery County on this pivotal project,” said Thor President Allen Whittle.

The Public Safety Building will be renovated to meet the County’s needs through 2030. In addition to the Sheriff’s Office’s 118 sworn officers and support personnel, it will house the regional E911 and Emergency Operations Center and support spaces, including an evidence room and lab, armory, interview rooms, multipurpose room and classroom space. The building’s exterior will be re clad in brick and metal and feature a modern design with large expanses of glass windows.

The renovation started in early May and will take place over the next 14 months. The former Courthouse, designed in 1975 and occupied in 1979-80, ceased operations when the courts moved into the new Courthouse in October 2012.

One of the most prominent commercial construction companies in Southwest Virginia, Thor recently completed the \$18 million renovation of Center in the Square in Roanoke.